



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY**

REGION 8

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September 29, 2003

Ref: 8EPR-SR

Mr. Jeff Schoenbacher
Park City Municipal Corporation
PO Box 1480
Park City, UT 84060

RE: DRAFT Park City Environmental Management System (EMS) dated August 18, 2003

Dear Jeff:

We are writing on behalf of both the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (UDEQ) to convey our approval of the draft Park City Environmental Management System (EMS) dated August 18, 2003. As a team comprised of both regulators and many local stakeholders, we have worked for several years now to reach this point. We appreciate Park City's work and commitment to reach resolution on this important issue.

Several years ago, we put forth EPA's and UDEQ's remaining concerns regarding the Soils Ordinance and the issues that we felt prevented us from archiving the Silver Creek Tailings Site from the CERCLIS database. Our initial recommendation to address many of these concerns was to conduct an EPA funded blood lead study. While we still believe this approach would be economical, limit future management needs, and provide the most definitive data for CERCLIS archival, we also feel the EMS sufficiently addresses all of our concerns, either directly through changes in the Ordinance or through planned data collection. We recommend the EMS be finalized and that Park City begin implementation. Collectively, we will evaluate data as it becomes available over the upcoming months with the goal of archiving the Silver Creek Tailings Site. As we've discussed, archival is contingent upon: (1) Park City implementing all aspects of the EMS as drafted, (2) getting sufficient numbers of volunteers for sampling, and (3) the results of the sampling.

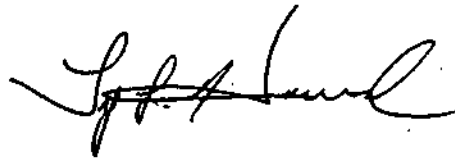


We look forward to continuing to work with you on issues within the Upper Silver Creek Watershed and beyond.

Sincerely,

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Jim Christiansen
Remedial Project Manager
U.S. EPA Superfund Remedial Program

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Ty Howard
Section Manager, DERR
Utah Department of Environmental Quality